



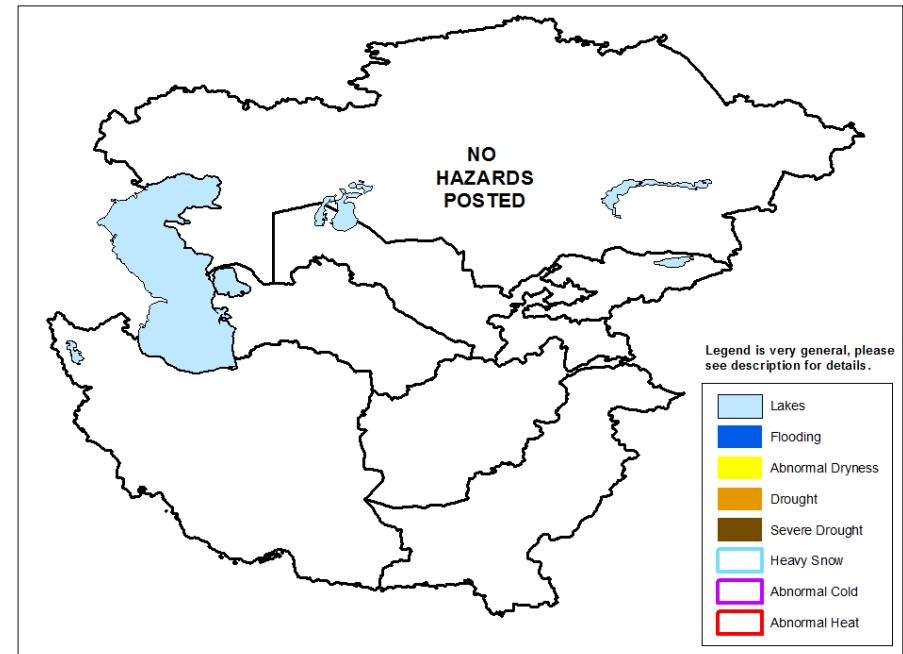
Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook December 11 - 17, 2014

Temperatures:

Below-normal temperatures (1 to 7 degrees C) prevailed across Central Asia from November 30 – December 6. The coldest temperatures were observed across northeast Kazakhstan where minimum temperatures fell to -20 degrees C. During the next week, the GFS model indicates that minimum temperatures are likely to average below-normal across eastern Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan. Since negative anomalies are expected to be smaller than previous weeks, an abnormal cold hazard is not posted.

Precipitation

Widespread rain and snow (locally more than 25 mm, liquid equivalent) fell across most of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, and northern Afghanistan. 90-day precipitation is generally above-normal throughout the region, according to the CPC-Unified data. During the next week, mostly dry weather is expected for Central Asia as a ridge of high pressure becomes established.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product

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